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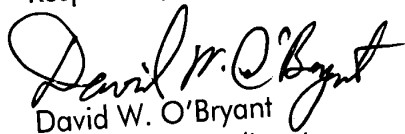
may have been previously submitted or listed, are the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no reference which is more relevant to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) published in the Official Gazette on August 5, 2003 for U.S. patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed. Applicant has submitted copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2). Any listed reference that is not in the English language is accompanied by a concise explanation in English of its relevance as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i).

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